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PATENT APPLICATION

## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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| In re Application of:                  | ) |                        |
|  | : | Examiner: A. Mathews   |
| Shuichi YABU                           | ) |                        |
|  | : | Group Art Unit: 2851   |
| Application No.: 09/811,447            | ) |                        |
|  | : | Confirmation No.: 9561 |
| Filed: March 20, 2001                  | ) |                        |
|  | : |                        |
| For: EXPOSURE APPARATUS, GAS REPLACING | ) |                        |
| METHOD, AND METHOD OF MANUFACTURING    | : | June 2, 2004           |
| A SEMICONDUCTOR DEVICE                 | ) |                        |

**Mail Stop Amendment**

Commissioner for Patents

P.O. Box 1450

Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Transmitted herewith is an Amendment in the above-identified application.

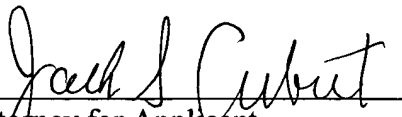
☐ No additional fee is required.

The fee has been calculated as shown below:

| CLAIMS AS AMENDED                             |   |       |                                       |                  |                |                   |
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|   | CLAIMS<br>REMAINING<br>AFTER<br>AMENDMENT |       | HIGHEST NO.<br>PREVIOUSLY<br>PAID FOR | PRESENT<br>EXTRA | RATE           | ADDITIONAL<br>FEE |
| TOTAL<br>CLAIMS                               | 87  | MINUS | 68                                    | = 19             | x \$9<br>\$18  | \$342.00          |
| INDEP.<br>CLAIMS                              | 22  | MINUS | 20                                    | = 2              | x \$42<br>\$84 | \$168.00          |
| Fee for Multiple Dependent claims \$140/\$280 |   |       |                                       |                  |                | —                 |
| TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE<br>FOR THIS AMENDMENT    |   |       |                                       |                  |                | \$510.00          |

- ☐ °Verified Statement claiming small entity status is enclosed, if not filed previously.
- ☒ A check in the amount of \$510.00 is enclosed.
- ☐ Charge \$\_\_\_ to Deposit Account No. 06-1205. A duplicate of this sheet is enclosed.
- ☒ Any prior general authorization to charge an issue fee under 37 CFR 1.18 to Deposit Account No. 06-1205 is hereby revoked. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees under 37 CFR 1.16 and 1.17 which may be required during the entire pendency of this application, or to credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 06-1205. A duplicate of this paper is enclosed.
- ☐ A check in the amount of \$\_\_\_\_\_ to cover the fee for a \_\_\_\_\_ month extension is enclosed.
- ☐ A check in the amount of \$\_\_\_\_\_ to cover the Information Disclosure Statement fee is enclosed.
- ☒ Applicant's attorney, Steven E. Warner, may be reached in our Washington, D.C. office by telephone at (202) 530-1010. All correspondence should be directed to our address given below.

Respectfully submitted,

  
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AMENDMENT

Sir:

In response to the Official Action dated March 2, 2004, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

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